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Dear Professor Lederberg:

Thank you for your letter of August 25.

We intend to make a parcel containing all coli and Klebsiella (aerobacter) teststrains and samples of all the corresponding sera, in all more than 300 strains and as many sera. Further many other strains and sera which could be of interest. Perhaps the easiest thing - for us - will be to have them sent directly to Madison.

As to our stay in Madison we shall work for at least one year in Madison. The administration here has until now not been too definite about the duration of our leave of absence, one year is safe, and the most important factor which will bring us back is that Dr. Kauffmann will have to carry out the routine coli work during our leave and he will most probably look forward to our comeback to take over this work again.

For the moment we intend to stay in U.S. until just before X-mas 1957, which will give us about 13-14 months in U.S. If this term eventually can be extended we don't know now, and this problem can perhaps better be discussed when we first are in Madison.

Of course we should like to see a little of your country during our stay, but this will of course only be in complete agreement with your wishes and intentions.

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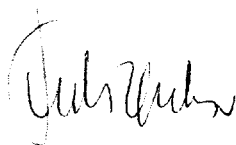
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As to our intended short stay in New York we were of course rather sorry that you thought that we should ~~not~~ decline ~~down~~ the generous offer of Dr. Jungeblut. And still, don't you think it will be convenient for us to acclimatize for some days in New York. You shall not be afraid that we shall try to make our U.S. stay ~~into~~ a holiday tour. Would it be too bold to suggest a compromise. We arrive in New York Wednesday 17 and stay with the Jungeblut's until Sunday evening or Monday morning when we take the train directly to Madison.

Do you think that we ~~will~~ shall get in touch with the housing bureau now or shall we wait?

With kindest regards

Yours sincerely,



F. Ørskov.